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Attorney Docket No. 01-40243-US-C  
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Title Method And System For Providing Communications Services  
Express Mail Label No. EL871796156US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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See 37 CFR 1.27.
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  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
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The following document(s) is/are submitted herewith:

### ■ Patent Application

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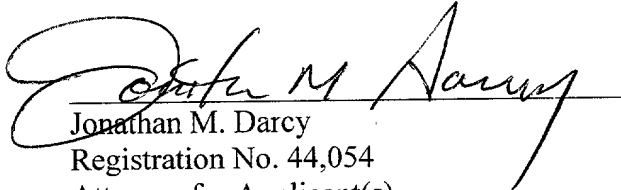
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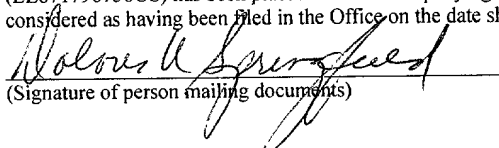
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